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Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Newsletter

5/1/23

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Pres. Paul Gustilo
Keith Thomas
Tom Martin (see below or click [here](#) for pictures at today's meeting)
Francesca Gilbert
Keith Thomas

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VISITING ROTARIANS

Rene' and Elisa Gerstbauer visited us today from the [Rotary Club of Wien-Grinzing](#), Vienna, Austria. They are both pharmacists in Vienna. Click [here](#) to go their pharmacy's webpage. Watch the short video on the home page and you will see **Elisa** in action. They are on a 5 ½ week tour of the United States which began in New York and meanders all the way across the US and end up in San Francisco. This is the first Rotary meeting that they have been able to attend. **Rene'** exchanged club banners with **Pres. Paul**. They picked the best! Welcome, **Rene'** and **Elisa**, enjoy the remainder of your trip.



SERVICE ABOVE SELF

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

First The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

Second High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

Third The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

Fourth The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do:

1. Is it the **truth**?
2. Is it **fair** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **goodwill** and **better friendships**?
4. Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

As a Rotarian, I will

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.



Jacob Michael attended today. He belongs to the [Rotary Club of Westland, Michigan](#) (or click [here](#) for their Facebook page which has lots of current stuff.) **Jacob** is a filmmaker and is in town working on a film entitled “[The Dogman](#)” about human trafficking. Click [here](#) for more information about the film. **Jacob** said that he is planning to relocate to Las Vegas in the near future and has his eye on joining Southwest Rotary. Thanks for attending today and we look forward to your film and to your relocation to Las Vegas!



Donald Oesterwind, also from the Westland Club, joined us today. He is the program director for [Safe Step Communities](#), which provides programs and family-style housing to assist in achieving freedom from addiction and homelessness. Sounds like another Rotarian involved in doing great things. Welcome, **Donald!**



GUESTS

Maureen Keefe was in the house again today. She has launched a new business called “MoJoe’s,” a mobile coffee truck. **Maureen** is a regular attender and even has helped out on our projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pres. Paul announced that Friday and Saturday of this week will be our District 5300 Conference at Horseshoe Las Vegas (formerly Bally's), 3645 Las Vegas Blvd. S., Las Vegas, NV 89109. Our club has approved \$1,000 to cover the cost of registration for Southwest Rotarians (well, sort of...if 10 SW Rotarians register, each will receive \$100 to cover costs, if 20 SW Rotarians sign up, each will get \$50 to cover costs, etc.)

Francesca Gilbert thanked everyone who attended our Greenspokes event last Thursday, 4/27/23 at her palatial residence. The food was great, the fellowship greater, and she even found a lost earring that a couple of Rotarians tried to claim until **Greg Mottau** stepped up and said “Hey, that is my wife’s!” Thanks so much, **Francesca**, for a great evening. Click [here](#) for the pictures.

Jordana Lane announced that our last Happy Feet project for **Pres. Paul's** year will be on Tuesday, May 16th at [Ruby Thomas Elementary, 1560 Cherokee Ln, Las Vegas, NV 89169](#). Please plan on arriving by 7:30 a.m. We should be done by 9:30. We will be putting 111 pairs of shoes on the fifth graders.

Fred Fukumoto reported that the club Scholarship Committee received 8 applications from 8 different Las Vegas high schools. The Committee interviewed the top 2 on April 28th. The winner of the 4-year "John & Lou Yoxen Memorial Scholarship" is Joyce Calimag graduating from Cristo Rey St. Viator College Preparatory (**Les Kaneta** is also providing an additional \$1,300 per semester for the 1st year for the 4-year winner - **THANKS LES!**); the runner up is Malorie Schwartz graduating from Southwest Career & Technical Academy and is awarded a 1-year scholarship that will be reviewed for continuation for another year (and future semesters) depending on the Club's financial situation and the runner ups' GPA. Joyce will be present at the Club's May 22nd meeting and Malorie will be present at the Club's June 12th meeting. Our current scholarship winner Vicky Wang will also be present at the June 12th meeting. And many thanks to **Fred** and the other members of the Scholarship Committee: Adrienne Cox, Melissa Brooks, Angela Domingo, Francesca Gilbert, Les Kaneta, Troy Lochhead, and Joe Wittenwiler.

JOKES OF THE DAY

None today.

GIFTS FOR THE PRESIDENT

Keith Thomas said that he hasn't been anywhere particular but saw a magnet that he said "...personifies the best Rotary Club President around" and "...just because he is Number 1 in our books!" Upon presentation to **Pres. Paul**, there were certain comments from the peanut gallery implying that **Keith** was only doing it to get out of being fined! (Must have worked, because he didn't get fined.)



RECOGNITIONS

None today.

DRAWING

Angela Baker was the grand prize winner today.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Click [here](#) to see the newsletter from August 16, 2004. (I'm going to keep running this one over and over until I get at least one comment on the hilarious picture captions. 😊 This will be the sixth time with no comments yet.)

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS - (FULL 2023 CALENDAR ATTACHED BELOW)

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- 5/8/23 Akita McCullough - CCSD community out reach
- 5/15/23 TBD
- 5/16/23 Happy Feet at [Ruby Thomas Elementary](#). [1560 Cherokee Ln, Las Vegas, NV 89169](#). Please plan on arriving by 7:30 a.m. We should be done by 9:30.
- 5/20/23 Board retreat for **Joe Wittenwiler's** year
- 5/22/23 Mason van Houweling - CEO of UMC
- 5/29/23 Dark for Memorial Day
- 5/31/23 Our next Feed the Homeless is coming up faster than usual. In addition to sandwiches, we will again be distributing clothing and hygiene kits. It is located at [Amazing Grace Ministries](#) at [Christ Church Episcopal](#) on [Maryland Parkway](#) For the history of our involvement with FTH at AGM at CCE on MP, click [here](#). Please be there by 4:00 p.m.
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PROGRAM

Chris Brown and [Celine Apo](#) from Southwest Gas were our speakers today. **Chris** is the Director of Regulation and Celine is Manager of Regulation and they are primarily responsible, along with our **Pres. Paul**, for keeping our gas rates high and continually increasing. Ok, ok, I'm kidding about the last part but they did give a great presentation about the rate setting process at Southwest Gas.



As usual, our club members peppered the speakers with questions and we were given another great program about how things happen in our community.

Click [here](#) to see a copy of their presentation.

Thanks so much to both **Chris** and **Celine** for a great program.

CONCLUSION

We concluded with the 4-Way Test.



Recognition of Service

*Sweet, Jennifer
Celine Rye*

Thank you for so generously sharing your
valuable time and knowledge with us.

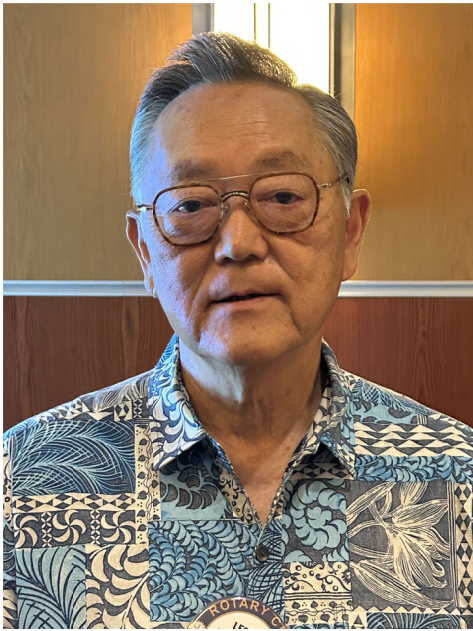
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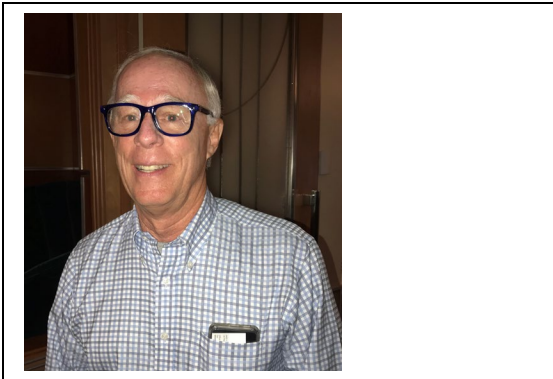
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Calendar of Events
Rotary District 5300 - Calendar for Las Vegas Southwest

DATE	TIME	CLUB	EVENT NAME	LOCATION / COMMENTS
May - Youth Service Month				
May Thu 04 23	08:00 AM		Tarnished Brass	Horseshoe Las Vegas (formerly Bally's) 3645 Las Vegas Blvd. S. Las Vegas, NV 89109
May Fri 05 23	11:00 AM		2022-23 ANNUAL DISTRICT 5300 CONFERENCE	Horseshoe Las Vegas (formerly Bally's) 3645 Las Vegas Blvd. S. Las Vegas, NV 89109
May Mon 08 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	Mark Mariscal - District Rotary Foundation Chair Akita McCullough/ CCSD community out reach
May Mon 15 23	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Monthly board meeting
May Mon 15 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	TBD
May Tue 16 23	07:30 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Happy Feet	Happy Feet at Ruby Thomas Elementary. 1560 Cherokee Ln. Las Vegas, NV 89169 . Please plan on arriving by 7:30 a.m. We should be done by 9:30 a.m.,
May Sat 20 23	08:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Board Retreat for 2023-2024	Board retreat for Joe Wittenwiler's year
May Mon 22 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	Mason van Houweling - CEO of UMC
May Sat 27 23	08:30 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	RI Annual Convention	Rotary Annual Convention
May Mon 29 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Memorial Day	Dark for Memorial Day Holiday
May Wed 31 23	05:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Feed the Homeless	Feed the Homeless and clothing giveaway at Amazing Grace Ministries at Christ Church Episcopal on Maryland Parkway For the history of our involvement with FTH at AGM at CCE on MP, click here .
June - Rotary Fellowships Month				
Jun Mon 05 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Jun Sat 10 23	05:30 AM		Corazon June Superbuild 2022-23	Superbuild in Tecate, Mexico. Meet in Chula Vista-360 E H St' Chula Vista, CA. 91910. . Check with Chair Robin Smith for details
Jun Mon 12 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Jun Mon 19 23	11:00 AM	Las Vegas Southwest	Monthly Board Meeting	Monthly board meeting
Jun Mon 19 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Weekly Club Meeting	
Jun Mon 26 23	12:15 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Dark for Debunking	Dark for debunking
Jun Thu 29 23	06:00 PM	Las Vegas Southwest	Debunking	Debunking at Jack Woodcock's home



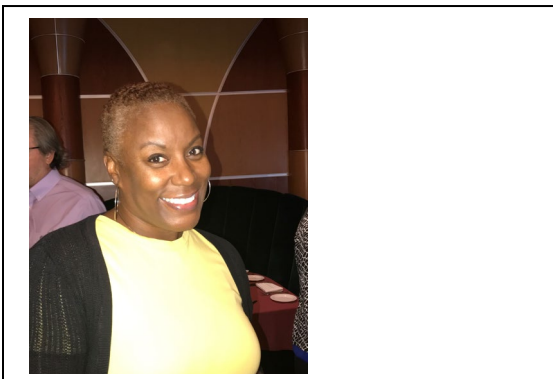
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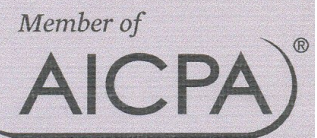
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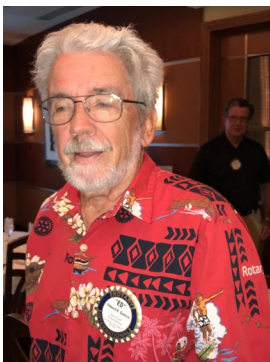
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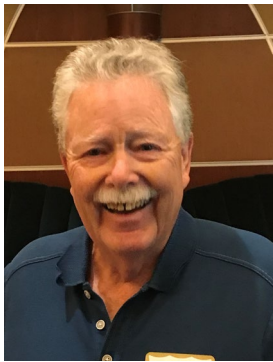
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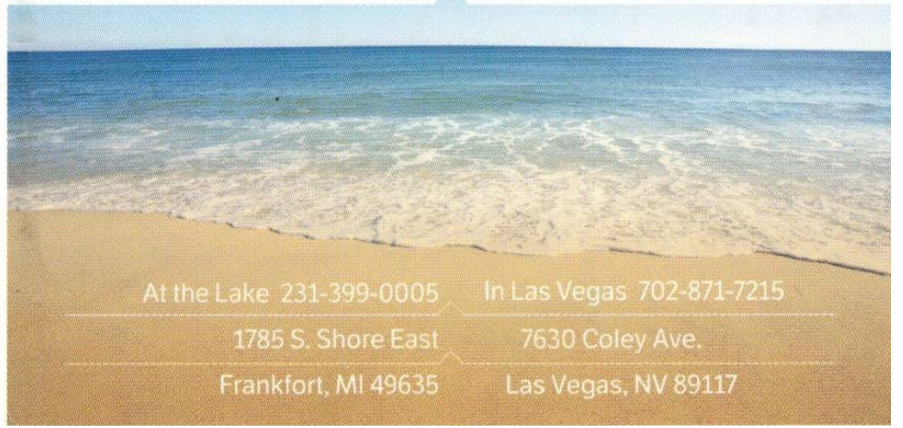
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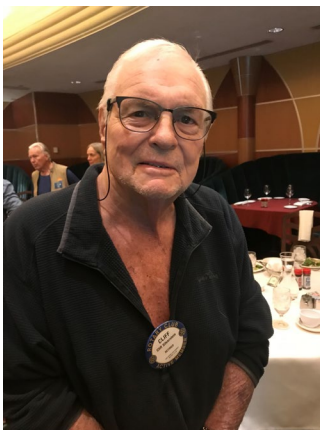
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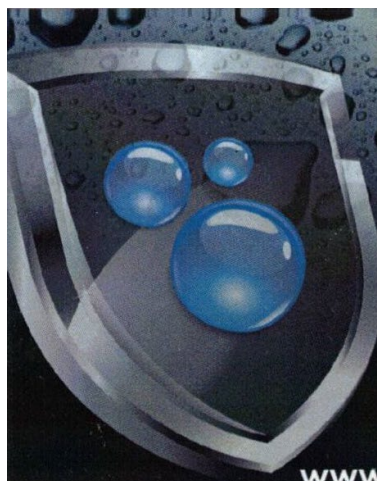


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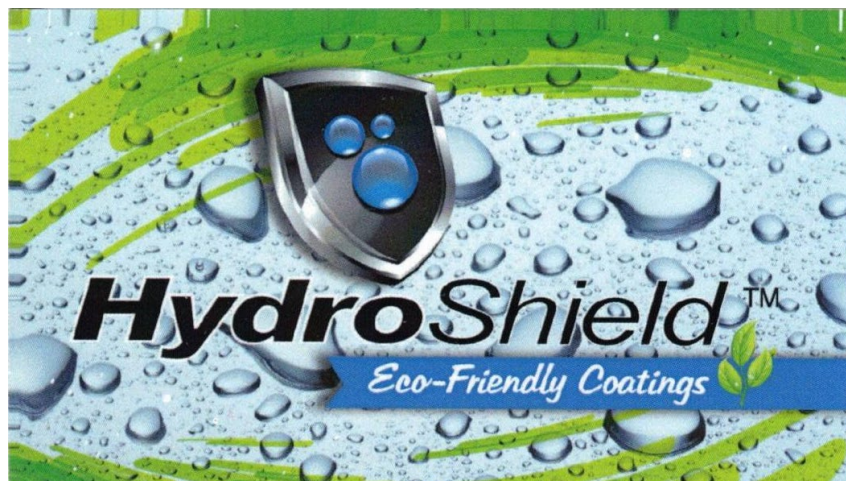


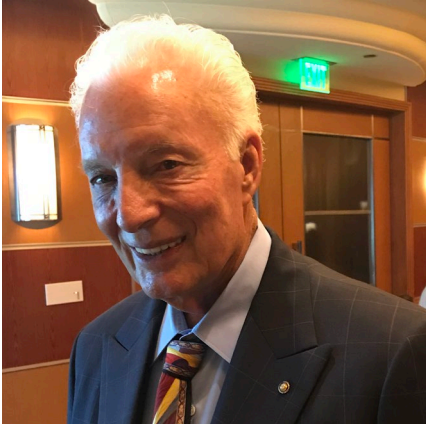
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